THE VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

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ABLE SEAMEN

WANTED for a new Ship lying at *Edenton, North Carolina*. Extraordinary Wages will be given. Apply to Capt. *Alexander Thomſon* on Board, or to the Subſcriber at *Milner's*.

NANSEMOND, *July* 26. MICHAEL WALLACE.

NEW YORK, *July* 15.

LAST Friday morning it was reported in town, that Lord Howe was arrived at Sandy Hook, with a large fleet from England: Between one and two o'clock, P. M. two ſhips hove in ſight and joined the fleet at the watering place; about an hour after a ſhip ſuppoſed to be the Phœnix, of 44 guns, a frigate of 28, and three tenders, got under way at Staten Iſland, and ſtood up for this city. The army ſoon took the alarm, and in a few minutes every man was at his ſtation, well provided with all neceſſaries for a vigorous defence; but as ſoon as the ſhips came near Bedlow's iſland, they inclined towards the Jerſey ſhore, to avoid our batteries that then began to play upon them from every quarter on both ſides of the river; and notwithſtanding they muſt have received conſiderable damage, they ſtood their courſe up Hudſon's river, firing ſeveral broadſides as they went along, without either killing or wounding any of our people, who on this occaſion behaved with uncommon bravery. A ſtrong ſoutherly wind, and the tide of flood facilitated the ſhips getting above the batteries near the town, but we hear they were roughly handled about 12 miles up the river, from whence they have not yet attempted to return, but we hear laid at Tarry town, about 50 miles up the river, on Saturday evening.

Capt. Johnſton, in a ſmall privateer from Boſton, has taken and carried into Cape Anne, two ſhips, one of them a large three decker from Jamaica for London, with 400 hogſheads of ſugar, 200 puncheons of rum, 30 bags of cotton, and a large quantity of pimenta, &c. with ſeveral Lady paſſengers. The other a ſhip from Antigua, bound to Boſton, with 490 puncheons of rum, &c.

It is ſaid the fleet deſtined for the American ſtation this ſummer, is as follows, viz. One of 70 guns, three of 60, ſeven of 50, two of 44, ſeven of 32, twelve of 28, five of 24, five of 20, two of 18, ſeven of 16, three of 14, three of 10, and three of 8, beſides armed veſſels, and one bomb-ketch.

PHILADELPHIA, *July* 22.

ON Monday laſt the Convention of this province met at the State-Houſe, but there not being a ſufficient number of members preſent, they adjourned to the next day, when they met and choſe Doctor Benjamin Franklin Preſident; Col. George Roſs Vice-Preſident; and John Morris, Eſq; Secretary.

The brig Polly, Capt. Lacey; the brig --------, Capt. Kelly, Capt. Wells; in a ſchooner; and Capt. Batton, in a ſloop, belonging to this port, were taken by the Orpheus and Kingfiſher, off our capes, the beginning of this month, and Capt. Wily, in a pilot boat, was taken about four weeks ago.

Extract of a letter from CROWN POINT, *July* 3.

"We left Sorel the 14th ult. and arrived at the Iſle au Noix the 18th, after having burnt and deſtroyed two gondolas, two ſchooners, and a ſloop, which we could not get over the rapids, together with forts Chamblee and St. John's, likewiſe Col. Hazen's houſe. While we lay at the Iſle au Noix, eight officers and four privates of the ſixth battalion, went without their arms to a French houſe on the oppoſite ſhore, about one mile from the encampment, in order to get ſpruce beer, when they were attacked by a number of Indians, who killed and ſcalped Capt. Adams, Enſign Colbertſon, and two privates, took priſoners Capt. M'Clean, Lieutenants M'Pherſon, M'Calliſter, Hog, and two privates. Capt. Ripie and Enſign Ruſh made their eſcape. As ſoon as the firing was heard, a boat was ſent to their aſſiſtance, though too late."

By accounts from Canada we learn, that our troops a few days after the battle at the Three Rivers retreated to the Iſle au Noix, but finding that an extreme unhealthy place, were obliged to retire to Crown Point, where they are repairing that old fortification. That the Engliſh had got to St. John's, where they would have to build boats before they could croſs the lakes, and that we had a ſchooner of 6 carriage guns, and four other armed veſſels, with which it is hoped, the Engliſh will be prevented croſſing the lakes.

Extract of a letter from NEW YORK, *July* 15.

"Laſt Friday two of the Engliſh fleet, a 40 and 20 gun ſhip, weighed anchor from the watering place and came up with two tenders. We fired near 200 ſhot before they returned one; when they came oppoſite the fort they fired a broadſide at us, all our batteries firing at them; a few ſhot muſt have ſtruck them, but I believe no great damage.

"Yeſterday Lord Howe ſent up a flag, with the Captain and Lieutenant of the Eagle man of war, the Adjutant General met them after ſome little ceremony, but as their letter was directed for George Waſhington, Eſq; he could not receive it; the officers inſiſted much on his receiving it, ſaying it was of a civil nature, his Lordſhip being inveſted with unlimited powers, and was ſorry that he had not arrived a few days ſooner. This morning we have accounts that the ſhips, &c. which paſſed the town, are 30 miles up, oppoſite to Tarry town, where the river is four miles wide and they may lay ſafe. It is reported that they have attempted to land and have been beat off.

"On Tueſday another flag from the fleet appeared, and was met as before, when a letter was again offered, but for the ſame reaſon as the former, rejected."

IN CONGRESS, *July* 17, 1776.

Reſolved, that General WASHINGTON, in refuſing to receive a letter ſaid to be ſent from Lord Howe, addreſſed to GEORGE WASHINGTON, ESQUIRE, acted with a dignity becoming his ſtation; and therefore this Congreſs do highly approve the ſame, and do direct, that no letter or meſſage be received, on any occaſion whatever, from the enemy, by the Commander in Chief, or other the Commanders of the American army, but ſuch as ſhall be directed to them in the characters they reſpectively ſuſtain.

By order of the Congreſs.

JOHN HANCOCK, Preſident.

CONGRESS, *July* 19, 1776.

Reſolved, that a copy of the circular letters and of the declarations they encloſed from Lord Howe to Mr. W. Franklin, Mr. Penn, Mr. Eden, Lord Dunmore, Mr. Martin, and Sir James Wright, late Governors, ſent to Amboy by a flag, and forwarded to Congreſs by General Waſhington, be publiſhed in the ſeveral gazettes, that the good people of theſe United States may be informed of what nature are the commiſſioners, and what the terms, with the expectation of which the inſidious Court of Britain has endeavoured to amuſe and diſarm them; and that the few, who ſtill remain ſuſpended by a hope founded either in the juſtice or moderation of their late King, may now, at length, be convinced, that the valour alone of their country is to ſave its liberties.

Extract from the journals.

CHARLES THOMSON, *Secretary*.

"EAGLE, *off the coaſt of the province of* Maſſachuſetts Bay, *June* 20.

"SIR,

BEING appointed Commander in Chief of the ſhips and veſſels of his Majeſty's fleet, employed in North America, and having the honour to be by his Majeſty conſtituted one of his COMMISSIONERS for reſtoring peace to his colonies, and for granting *pardons* to ſuch of his ſubjects therein as ſhall be *duly ſolicitous* to benefit by that effect of his gracious indulgence; I embrace this opportunity to inform you of my arrival on the American coaſt, where my firſt object will be an early meeting with General Howe, whom his Majeſty has been pleaſed to join with me in the ſaid commiſſion.

In the mean time, I have judged it expedient to iſſue the incloſed Declaration, in order that all perſons may have immediate information of his Majeſty's *moſt gracious intentions*. And I deſire you will be pleaſed forthwith to cauſe the ſaid Declaration to be promulgated, in ſuch manner, and at ſuch places within the province of New Jerſey, as will render the ſame of the moſt public notoriety.

Aſſured of being favoured with your aſſiſtance in every meaſure for the ſpeedy and effectual reſtoration of the public tranquillity, I am to requeſt you will communicate, from time to time, ſuch information as you may think will facilitate the attainment of that important object in the province over which you preſide.

I have the honour to be,

With great reſpect and conſideration,

Sir, your moſt obedient humble ſervant, HOWE."

By RICHARD VISCOUNT HOWE, *of the kingdom of* Ireland, *one of the* KING's COMMISSIONERS *for restoring peace to his Majesty's colonies and plantations in* North America, &c.

DECLARATION.

WHEREAS, by an act passed in the last session of Parliament, to prohibit all trade and intercourse with the colonies of New Hampshire, Massachusetts Bay, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, the three lower counties on Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, and for other purposes therein mentioned, it is enacted, that "it shall "and may be lawful, to and for any person or persons appointed and "authorized by his Majesty, to grant a pardon or pardons to any number or description of persons, by proclamation in his Majesty's name, "to declare any colony or province, colonies or provinces, or any county, town, port, district, or place, in any colony or province, to be at "the peace of his Majesty;" and that "from and after the issuing of "any such proclamation, in any of the aforesaid colonies or provinces, "or if his Majesty shall be graciously pleased to signify the same by his "royal proclamation, then, from and after issuing of such proclamation," the said "act, with respect to such colony or province, colonies or provinces, county, town, port, district, or place, shall cease, "determine, and be utterly void:"

And whereas the King, desirous to deliver all his subjects from the calamities of war, and other *oppressions which they now undergo*, and to restore the said colonies to his protection and peace, as soon as the constitutional authority of Government therein may be replaced, hath been graciously pleased, by letters patent under the great seal, dated the 6th day of May, in the sixteenth year of his Majesty's reign, to nominate and appoint me, Richard Viscount Howe, of the kingdom of Ireland, and William Howe, Esq; General of his forces in North America, and each of us, jointly and severally, to be his Majesty's commissioner and commissioners, for *granting his free and general pardons* to all those who, in the tumult and disorder of the times, may have deviated from their just allegiance, and who are willing, by a speedy return to their duty, to reap the benefits of the Royal favours: And also for declaring, in his Majesty's name, any colony, province, county, town, port, district, or place, to be at the peace of his Majesty. I DO THEREFORE, hereby declare, that due consideration shall be had to the meritorious services of all persons who shall aid and assist in restoring the public tranquillity in the said colonies, or in any part or parts thereof; that pardons shall be granted, dutiful representations received, and every suitable encouragement given, for promoting such measures as shall be conducive to the establishment of legal government and peace, in pursuance of his Majesty's most gracious purposes aforesaid.

Given on board his Majesty's ship the Eagle, off the coast of the province of Massachusetts Bay, *the* 20th *day of* June, 1776. HOWE.

By order of Congress,
JOHN HANCOCK, *President.*

Extract from the minutes,
CHARLES THOMSON, *Secretary.*

WILLIAMSBURG, *August* 3.

WEDNESDAY an express arrived here with the following account of a battle fought by a party of the Fincastle militia with a number of Cherokee and Creek Indians, near the Great Island of Holstein, the 20th of July ult.

"Our scouts returned and informed that they had discovered a large number of Indians making into the settlement, upon which information the few men stationed at Eaton's fort, within the boundary line, completed a breast work sufficiently strong with what men were there, to have defended themselves against a considerable number. Expresses were sent to the different stations, and such a number of men were collected that next morning we turned out with 170 in search of the enemy. We marched in two divisions, with flankers on each wing and scouts before, who soon discovered upwards of 20 Indians and fired upon them. They immediately returned the fire, but our men rushing on them with such violence obliged them to make a precipitate retreat. They left ten bundles and a good deal of plunder, which our men secured. We have great reason to believe several of them were wounded in this skirmish. Though it happened on a ground very disadvantageous to pursue, yet it was with the greatest difficulty they could be restrained. A council was held, and it was judged adviseable to return, as we had reason to believe a party greatly superior to ours were not far off. We had not marched more than a mile in good order when our rear was attacked by upwards of 100 of the enemy. Our men sustained the attack with great firmness, until a line was formed. The enemy endeavoured to surround us, but were prevented by the vigilance of Capt. James Shelby, who, with his division, took possession of an eminence, and bravely defended it, which prevented their design. Our line extended upwards of 600 yards, and after disputing the ground some time, we found 13 of them dead on the field, and have reason to believe that many more might have been found, if we had had time to have searched for them, as there were great quantities of blood found every way they retreated. Though the action was short, it is believed the execution was great. The enemy attacked us with their usual fury, but our militia fought with a calmness and intrepidity that would have done honour to the veterans of any country. The behaviour of our scouts, not only on their duty, but in the action, deserve the greatest applause. Besides a deal of plunder we took a good many guns. We did not lose a man, and had only four slightly wounded. The soldiers are in high spirits, and long for another engagement on equal terms. Though we have every reason to believe that the enemy are pouring in upon us in numbers superior to our forces, yet we hope for a reinforcement from our friends.

Signed by Captains { JOHN CAMPBELL. | JAMES THOMPSON. / WILLIAM COCKE. | JAMES SHELBY. / THOMAS MADDISON. | WM. BUCHANAN.

We have just received at a certain port in this colony a supply of 450 barrels of gunpowder, and near 200 stand of arms.

To Mr. JOHN WRIGHT.

SIR,

WHEN men, of magnanimity and spirit conceive themselves injured they naturally feel resentment, and in consequence act with candour and resolution. That honour which urges them to resent does oblige them to be generous in resentment. None but the base and malevolent take pitiful advantages of the objects of their displeasure. Had you, Sir, have recollected, or rather known, there was disgrace as well as dignity in revenge, you would certainly, for your own sake, have declined making such an ungenerous, such an unmanly attack upon the character of a Lady. If lenity and compassion be strangers to your breast, surely a regard for decency, and the sex alone, ought to have dictated a more tender and delicate kind of treatment. If you have the philosophy you pretend to, and can forgive (as you are politely pleased to express it) "a Lady's falling into the ways of the fantastic, fickle, and trifling part of her sex," why should you have pestered the public with your nonsensical love tales? The little faults and caprice of a mistress, the jealousies and quarrels of people heartily in love, with every other impertinence this kind of commerce is subject to, ought never to be revealed. But, from your account, forsooth, a regard for other silly woodcocks, who might be entrapped like yourself, was the cause of that perfidious publication. And do you really think, Sir, the world will be credulous enough to give credit to your assertions? I can tell you, every friend of humanity whose indignation is excited against you, will view your extraordinary performance in a very different light indeed! For my own part I pity, and am concerned for the wretched condition of those poor mortals, who, from the blackest motives, pretending good to others, run into every other view and motive which may fortify that pretension, and give it authority and influence with the public. Like you they plead motives drawn from benevolence, from honour, from duty. I affirm your excuse for *your well intended address* is a horrid aggravation to the horrid misdoing, and an impudent insult to human understanding.

Although you have disgraced yourself more than the person you certainly meant to injure (whose ruin indeed it was no fault of your's, good Sir, you did not completely accomplish), be for once advised by one who is, and ever wishes to be, unacquainted with every such trader in scandal. Assuage that malice of your's, which seems to have been sharpened and embittered by disappointment. Throw aside your rancour, confess, and repent of your late trespass, and it may make some atonement for the injuries you wished to have done an helpless woman. You will soon then be sensible how despicable and dastardly such unmanly attacks are, and discover that a generous affection for mankind, and disposition rather to pardon than punish the frailties of human nature, have in them their particular charms and delight—that a grain of native worth and honesty is of more value and importance than all the adventitious titles and honours of this sublunary world.

Leaving you for the present to your own reflections, which, if you reflect at all, will sting you sufficiently, and hoping for your reformation,

I am, your obedient servant,

JUVENIS.

HANOVER *County, July* 26, 1776.

TO be SOLD on the Premiſes, on *Friday* the 1ſt of *September* next, 672 Acres of LAND in *Louiſa* County, belonging to the Eſtate of Captain *Francis Smith*, deceaſed. The Soil is exceeding fine for Corn, Wheat, and Tobacco. There is on the Land a Plantation cleared, and all neceſſary Outhouſes for Cropping. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſer giving Bond and Security to THOMAS SMITH.

JAMESTOWN CAMP, *July* 25, 1776.

MR. *John Davis*, of *Surry* County, having paſſed in this Camp ſeveral Bills of the *North Carolina* Currency, which were ſuſpected to be counterfeit, he was arreſted in Order to be brought through the proper Channel to Trial: Upon Inquiry into the Matter, his Innocency appeared, and he was diſcharged.----Mr. *Davis* apprehending that his Character may ſuffer unleſs this Affair of his being taken into Cuſtody is explained to the World, the Officers of this Camp do cordially certify that he fully ſatisfied them of his having no Deſign to impoſe counterfeit Bills on any Perſon whatever, and that they think him an honeſt Member of civil Society.

EDWARD CARRINGTON.
(3ll) Signed by NICHOLAS CABELL.

FOR SALE,

On reaſonable Terms, or may be chartered to any Port in BRITAIN,

A STRONG well built SCHOONER, little more than two Years old, a good Sea Boat, and ſails well, Burthen about 90 Tons, or 4250 Buſhels, now lying at *Cumberland*, in *Pamunkey* River. She is well found for the Sea, ſome of her principal Sails new, her Topſails very little worn, a roomy Cabin, and two State Rooms genteelly papered, with a large Steerage. This veſſel may be fitted to carry 30 Paſſengers, with Convenience; and as ſeveral have made Application already for that Purpoſe, provided I could engage that Number, I would take them at 25l. current Money each, and find every Thing but Bedding. For further Particulars inquire of the Subſcriber in *Cheſterfield*.——A Man qualified to take Charge of ſuch a veſſel as Captain, and four Seamen, will meet with good Encouragement on Application to WILLIAM BLACK.

N. B. The Subſcriber has lately procured a Maſter Workman, who underſtands moſt of the Branches of the WEAVING BUSINESS, and will ſoon have four Looms fitted up, when he propoſes taking in Work, either plain or figured, in Cotton, Linen, or Woollen, at the uſual Prices.

AMHERST, *June* 6, 1776.

RUN from the Subſcriber, the 15th of laſt Month, a remarkably ſtrong well made Negro Fellow named BEN, formerly the Property of Mr. *John Nicholas* of *Buckingham*, 5 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, 30 Years old, with thick Legs, a ſurly Countenance, hoarſe Voice, and works at the Carpenter's and Shoemaker's Trades. He paſſed laſt Fall, at *Fredericksburg*, for a free Man, by the Name of *John Savage*, and has an *Indian* Woman for his Wife who ſome Time ago lived in *Goochland*. It is probable they are together, as ſhe ſold off, and moved from her late Dwelling Place in *Albemarle*, a few Days before the Fellow ran away. Any Perſon that will deliver the above Slave to Mr. *John Nicholas* in *Buckingham*, or the Subſcriber in *Amherſt*, ſhall receive THREE POUNDS Reward, and what the Law allows.

(12ll) PATRICK ROSE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Auguſt* 2, 1776.

THE Ship *Oxford*, a Prize of 200 Tons Burthen, with her Tackle, Apparel, Rigging, and Furniture, all in excellent Order, will be ſold at public Sale, for ready Money, on *Monday* the 19th Inſtant, before the *Raleigh* Tavern in *Williamſburg*, at 6 o'Clock in the Afternoon. The Ship, with her Furniture, may be ſeen by applying to Capt. *James Gregory* of *Prince George*, who has an Inventory of the ſame. (2) JAMES HUBARD.

WE INTEND TO LEAVE THE COLONY immediately.

WILLIAM CUNINGHAME.
JOHN LIKELY.
WALTER COLQUHOUN.

THOMAS JOHNSON, *of* BRUNSWICK,

WHO is well known for his Abilities in the Cure of the Flux, gives Notice that he alſo cures the following Diſorders, *viz.* the Spleen, Cholic, Aſthma, and any Kind of Fevers, lingering Diſorders, bad Coughs, Scurvy, any Kind of running Humours or ſcorbutic Diſorders, the Yaws and *French* Diſorder, without Salivation, ſore Legs, Dropſy, Scurvy in the Gums, and has the greateſt Reaſon to believe he can cure the Conſumption if timely applied to. He uſes very few Medicines except what he makes himſelf.

WESTOVER, *July* 26, 1776.

ON *Wedneſday* Night laſt was Stolen out of a Paſture at *Weſtover*, a large ſtrong BAY PLOUGH HORSE, upwards of 15 Hands high, a natural Pacer, 6 Years old laſt Spring, with a hanging Mane and long Switch Tail, has many white Hairs over his Body, and may be called a Roan. I do not remember his Brand. I will give TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward to any Perſon who may deliver him to me, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief.

(tf) W. BYRD.

WHEREAS the Bonds due to the Eſtate of Mr. *John Shermer*, late of *James City* County, deceaſed, are divided, and one Part of them paid to the Heirs of Mrs. *Anna Shermer*, deceaſed, and the other Part, with the open Accounts, left in my Hands to collect for Mr. *Richard Shermer* of *England*; that all thoſe whoſe Bonds and Accounts are in my Hands may know whom to apply to, in Order to ſettle and diſcharge them (which I hope will be as ſoon as poſſible) their Names are here inſerted. DUDLEY RICHARDSON,

(2) One of the Executors.

John Anderſon.	John Frazier.	Joſeph Oliver.
Turner Anderſon.	William Farthing.	Mann Page, Eſq;
Hansford Anderſon.	Richard Croſhor Graves.	John Pemberton.
Matthias Abbot.	William Geddy, ſenior.	David Pemberton.
Richard Royal Allen.	William Graves.	Samuel Proſſer.
Mordecai Abraham.	James Geddy.	Rev. Thomas Price.
John Allen.	Richard Gaddey.	Penniwel Penny.
John Allen, junior.	William Holt.	William Polland.
Jones Allen.	John Hart.	John Quarles.
John Aylett's Exec.	William Hart.	Iſaac Quarles.
Jones Allen Dean.	Richardſon Henley.	John Raines.
Andrew Banks.	Mary Hazelwood.	Daniel Ritchie.
Henry Brown.	James Herndon.	Thomas Reynolds.
Richard Brack.	Maj. John Hickman.	Thomas Roſe.
John Barnes.	John Hankin.	John Robinſon.
William Black.	Charles Hankin.	Cap. W. Richardſon.
Thomas Booth.	Thomas Harwood.	Moſes Sweene.
John Bratford.	Edward Harris.	William Stone.
William Breedlove.	Samuel Harwood.	William Spiller.
William Badget.	Col. Philip Johnſon.	Anthony Singleton.
William Brown.	John Jones.	John Sanders.
Col. Burwell Baſſet.	William Johnſon.	Benjamin Spiller.
Frances Booth.	James Jones.	Manoah Singleton.
Rev. William Bland.	James Jones.	Mann Satterwhite.
Wm. Burnit Brown.	William Jones.	Miles Selden.
Tho. Cowles, C. City	Daniel Jones.	Gregory Smith.
William Chaney.	Emmanuel Jones.	James Shields.
Thomas Cardwell.	Edward Knewſtep.	Warner Shackleford.
Richard Charlton.	Robert King.	Daniel Slater.
John Chancy.	John King.	John Tabb, Eſq;
John Cooper.	Joſeph Kidd.	Richard Todd.
Col. John Sym.	John Lewis.	William Thorp.
William Davenport.	Warner Lewis, Eſq;	Thomas Tignar.
Richard Dabney.	Richard Leigh.	Benjamin Temple.
John Driver.	Philip Malory.	Iſaac Winfrey.
Mrs. Hannah Dzingerfield.	David Minge.	John White.
	Jack Mitchell.	William Wade.
Francis Durfey.	James M'Dowel.	William Walker, ſen.
Hon. Bar. Dandridge.	Benjamin Moore.	Capt. John Walker.
William Eggleſtone.	William Norvel.	William Wilſon.
Andrew Eſtave.	William Nelſon, Eſq;	George Williamſon.
William Eaton.	Loftin Newman.	Thomas Waſley.
Benjamin Fox.	John H. Norton.	Edward Ward.
William Finnie.	George Otey.	

☞ All Perſons that have Demands againſt the Eſtate are deſired to bring them in.

Meſſ. DIXON & HUNTER,

The following imitation of *Horace*'s INTEGER VITÆ is recommended to our brave youth now fighting in defence of their country, by

Suſſex, July 17, 1776. *A* FRIEND *to* VIRTUE.

HE needs no arms for his defence
That's fortify'd with innocence.
Virtue's a fort impregnable
No fortune can moleſt.
Him who hath that within his breaſt
He nobly bears the ill,
And uſes well the beſt.
Let him be caſt where no kind heat
The frozen earth doth recreate;
Or where the ſcorching dog-ſtar reigns,
And ſucks the kindly dew from off the parched plains;
Nay, ſet him in the midſt of war,
Where naught but danger lies,
No glimpſe of ſafety there to bleſs his eyes,
And only death and horrour all around appear;
His virtue there will be
His fortreſs and ſecurity,
Againſt the dire effects of fate.
To him death cannot bitter be
That lives up to the ſtandard of morality.
It haſtens his reward, and is the only gate
To a much better, or, at leaſt, a much more quiet ſtate.

PRINCE GEORGE, *July* 22, 1776.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from *Springfield* Camp, the 18th of laſt Month, a ſlender made DARK BAY HORSE about 5 Years old, 4 Feet 5 or 6 Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and always paces when ſteadily rode; has had a ſwelled Lump on the near Side of his Noſe, occaſioned by the Glanders, but believe he is not branded. Whoever will deliver the ſaid Horſe to *Thomas Fenner* at *Bland's* Mill, in this County, or to the Subſcriber, near ſaid Place, ſhall have a Reward of 40 s. and all reaſonable travelling Expences, paid by (2‖) JOHN ALLEN.

To be ſold, at public Auction, purſuant to the laſt Will and Teſtament of Mr. John Todd Bickerton, *deceaſed, at* Bedford *Courthouſe, on* Monday *the* 23*d of* September *next, being Court Day,*

A TRACT of LAND on *Falling* River, in ſaid County, containing 1848 Acres, with a Plantation and Improvements thereon. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſer giving Bond, with approved Security, to (8) THE EXECUTORS.

N. B. Mrs. *Martha Irwin* claims Dower in the above Land.

JULY 25, 1776.

NORTHAMPTON County, *July* 6, 1776.

THE Subſcriber is in Want of low Land Tobacco, fit for the *French* Market, Flour, Red and White Oak Hogſhead Staves, with a Proportion of Heading, ſuitable for the *Weſt India* Market, to be delivered at any good Landing in this or *Accomack* Counties, not to the Northward of *Pungoteague*, for which ready Money will be paid on Delivery. If the Tobacco and Flour are packed in Water Proof Caſks, an additional Price of 6 d. *per* Hundred will be given on the Commodities, and for the Caſks according to their Quality.

6 SAMUEL INGLIS.

STRAYED from this City, the 7th Inſtant *(July)* a large DARK ROAN HORSE 15 Hands high, has a white Mark on his Back, much in the form of a Saddle, ſhod before, trots and gallops, his Brand unknown. Whoever brings him to me, at Mr. *Gabriel Maupin*'s, ſhall receive 20 s. Reward.

(1‖) BENJAMIN HARRIS.

WANTED,

A HEALTHY NEGRO WOMAN that has been uſed to Waſhing, Ironing, and other Houſe Work. Any Perſon having ſuch a Negro to diſpoſe of may hear of a ready Money Purchaſer by applying to the Printers. If ſhe has a Child or two, they will be purchaſed with her.

RICHMOND, *July* 23, 1776.

WE intend to leave the Colony immediately.

JAMES BROWN.
ROBERT COWPER.

FOUND, on *Wedneſday* the 10th Inſtant *(July)* near my Houſe, between *Hanover* Town and *Newcaſtle*, a plain BLACK LEATHER POCKET-BOOK, containing thirty four Dollars continental Money, and ſix Letters, directed to different Perſons in *Fauquier* County. The Owner may have it by applying to

MERIWETHER SKELTON.

TO BE SOLD,

A VESSEL now on the Stocks at *Hampton*, and may be finiſhed in ſix Weeks, of the following Dimenſions, *viz.* 56 Feet Keel, 22 ½ Beam, 10 Feet Hold, and 4 Feet between Decks, built with the beſt of Timber, and Plank 2 ½ Inches. If any Perſon wants ſuch a Veſſel, they may be further informed by applying to the Printers of this Gazette.

MANCHESTER, *July* 18, 1776.

I INTEND to leave the Colony in a ſhort Time. In my Abſence the Affairs of *William* and *James Donald* and Company will be conducted by *John Brander*, Junior, at *Bedford* Courthouſe. (2‖) ROBERT MONTGOMERIE.

FOUR DOLLARS REWARD.

LEFT in an Office-Houſe, in *Williamſburg*, on *Sunday* the 7th of *July*, a SILVER WATCH, N°. 2292, Maker's Name *T. Snilling, London*, with a poliſhed Steel Chain, Pinchbeck Key, ſmall Pocket-Book Key, and Gilt Seal without a Face. There are ſtrong Reaſons to believe that it was taken by a Shoemaker of the Name of *Thomas Trindell*, who went off from *Williamſburg* about 8 Days ago, in a Veſſel bound for *Cumberland*, in which was one *Williams*, with Proviſion for Capt. *Travis*. The above *Trindell* is a ſmall lame Man, with dark Hair, intending, when he left *Williamſburg*, to work for Col. *Syme* in *Hanover*. Any Perſon who will deliver the ſaid Watch to the Printers hereof ſhall receive the above Reward. (3‖)

RICHMOND, *July* 16, 1776.

JOURNEYMEN WEAVERS will meet with good Encouragement from the Subſcriber, alſo Perſons that can ſpin Wool, Linen, or Cotten.----I want ſome Apprentices for the Weaving Buſineſs. (6) GARDINER FLEMING.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subſcriber, at *Hanover* Town, two likely SORREL HORSES; one is about 4 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, has a Blaze Face, one of his hind Feet and Part of the Leg white, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, drags both hind Feet, trots and gallops well, runs very well in a Chair, and branded on the near Shoulder, low down, F. The other is about 4 Feet 8 Inches high, with a Blaze Face, hanging Mane and Switch Tail, with a few gray Hairs intermixed in his Tail and Mane, ſome Saddle Spots a little behind his Withers, paces, trots, and gallops well, and goes very well in a Chair; his Brand (if any) forgot. I will give FORTY SHILLINGS to any Perſon who will bring me the ſaid Horſes, or give ſuch Intelligence that I get them again, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief, if a white Man.

RICHARD BURNLEY.

SEAMEN.

WANTED immediately, ſome able bodied Seamen, to whom good Encouragement will be given by Col. *Fielding Lewis* in *Fredericksbur*, Mr. *Joſhua Storrs* near *Richmond*, and Mr. *Ackroyd* in *Williamſburg*. (2)

LINENS

OF VARIOUS KINDS

To be ſold at the Subſcriber's Store, who hopes to be conſtantly ſupplied with a general Aſſortment.

JOHN BROWNLOW.

FREDERICKSBURG, *July* 7, 1776.